

AT&T'S DESCRIPTION OF ESSENTIAL FORMATTING CHANGES TO AMERITECH'S PERFORMANCE MEASURE RESULTS

As agreed upon in both the Illinois and Ohio performance measure collaboratives, AT&T provides the following description of the manner in which Ameritech should provide and display its performance measure results to CLECs. It is essential that Ameritech provide its performance results in a manner that allows CLECs, and the Commission staffs, to analyze this data in a timely and reasonable fashion.

As noted in the previous meeting, this is not yet true. Ameritech has begun to provide its performance measure results based on both FCC and state merger conditions. Thus far, Ameritech has provided these results on the SBC website. But it has provided the results in a separate file for each and every measure and submeasure. Thus, in order to begin reviewing this information, a CLEC must download each and every one of these numerous files. In fact, AT&T has attempted to do so and it literally took days to download the limited set of performance results thus far provided. However, if Ameritech continued to provide its performance data in this cumbersome fashion, once Ameritech reports on all the 100+ Texas measures and submeasures in all five states, there would be over 1,000 total files to download. If a CLEC actually tried, AT&T estimates it would take 75-85 hours of employee time to download these files. Obviously, this excludes the time needed to actually analyze the data, which is, of course, the purpose of reporting the data in the first place.

In order to alleviate this problem, Ameritech should provide the data consistent with the manner in which SBC provides the data in Texas and also provide CLECs a flat comma delimited file including all the aggregated and company-specific information. This file should be capable of being imported into a Microsoft Outlook or Excel-like

spreadsheet. Ameritech, in fact, indicated that it sends one flat Microsoft Outlook file to SBC, and that SBC then posts that data on its website in separate files (although not in as segregated a fashion as Ameritech). At the very least, Ameritech must provide CLECs the flat file that it provides to SBC (absent company proprietary data). AT&T does not believe that the masking of proprietary data is cumbersome, or time consuming, but is a mere formatting issue.

We urge Ameritech to contact either Karen Moore (312-230-2556) or Dave Chorzempa (312) 230-3503 if it has any further questions regarding this issue before the next collaborative session. We believe this issue can and should be resolved before Ameritech reports additional data on February 20, 1999.

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